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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Kenichiro SATO and Toshiaki AOAI
POSITIVE TYPE PHOTORESIST COMPOSITION
Our Ref: Q62193

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/023,801 filed February 13, 1998 of Kenichiro SATO and Toshiaki AOAI entitled POSITIVE TYPE PHOTORESIST COMPOSITION.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims, and a copy of the Assignment and Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1752.

Priority is claimed from 2/17/97, 2/27/97, 3/3/97, and 3/7/97, based on JP Application Nos. 9-032431, 9-043974, 9-048056, and 9-053583, respectively. The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/023,801.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	5 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$710.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee							\$270.00
TOTAL FILING FEE							\$980.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$980.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire

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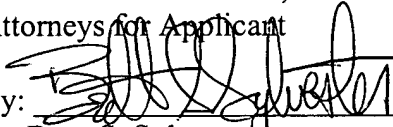
pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,
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